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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Harding et al.  
Serial No: 10/600,108  
Filed: June 20, 2003  
For: OPTICAL BAR CODE SCANNER AND  
SYSTEM FOR RETRIEVING BAR CODE DATA

Examiner: Mark Stephen Tremblay  
Art Unit: 2876

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before March 7, 2005 (March 5, 2005 being a Saturday). A check in the amount of \$450.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 17853-046. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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